

# VolunteerBloomington!

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:** "Every action in our lives touches on some chord that will vibrate in eternity." ~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

December 12, 2012

#### Girls Inc. After-School - Dec.

Girls Inc. is seeking after-school program volunteers from 3-6 p.m., Mon. through Fri., until Dec. 21. One-time volunteers are OK. Volunteers will work directly with girls ages 5-18, supervising play, helping with homework, and participating in crafts and games, all while ensuring safety. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Daisy Chew at (812) 336-7313 or dchew@monroe.girls-inc.org. (www.girlsinc-monroe.org)

## Winter Wonders Open House at Monroe Lake - Dec. 30

The Paynetown State Recreational Area on Monroe Lake is hosting an open house on Dec. 30. A couple of volunteers are needed from 5:30-8:30 p.m. to assist visitors with winter-themed crafts and games, serve snacks, and assist with clean up. If you can help, please sign up by Dec. 20. Minimum age is 16. Please contact Jill Vance at (812) 837-9967 or <a href="mailto:jvance@dnr.in.gov">jvance@dnr.in.gov</a>. (www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2954.htm)

## **City and County Boards and Commissions**

Through both city and county boards and commissions, citizens provide input on policies that shape their government. In anticipation of member transitions when terms end in January, there are expected to be openings on boards and commissions that deal with issues affecting women, children, the elderly, human rights, animal welfare, historic preservation, housing, utilities, the environment, sustainability and others. Minimum age is 18; other requirements may apply, depending on the position. Additional information for the City positions can be found at <a href="https://www.bloomington.in.gov/clerk">www.bloomington.in.gov/clerk</a> or

## **Community Wish List Spotlight**

## **Buskirk-Chumley Theater**

Listed in the National Register of Historic Places, and managed by a non-profit organization, the theater hosts 200 events a year, making it one of the busiest community theaters in the country. To grant a wish, contact Caitlyn Kuhs at volunteer@buskirkchumley.org or (812) 323-3020 (114 E. Kirkwood Ave.; www.buskirkchumley.org)

**Wishes:** wire shelving unit - 3'w x 6'h, wall mount wire shelf - 3'w x 2' deep, small microwave, dorm refrigerator in good working order, compact automatic dishwasher

Use the <u>Community Wish List</u> to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

contact Regina Moore at 812-349-3408 or <a href="moorer@bloomington.in.gov">moorer@bloomington.in.gov</a>. The deadline to apply at the county level is Dec. 26. Interested persons can visit the county website at <a href="https://www.co.monroe.in.us">www.co.monroe.in.us</a> or call the Comissioners' Office at 812-349-2550.

### Variety at Middle Way House - Jan. 21

Get involved in one of three ways on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day at Middle Way House! 1) Volunteers can paint the inside community spaces at The Rise from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please register before Jan. 15. 2) At the New Wings building, child and adult volunteers will begin the 'green wall', a gardening-focused opportunity to play educational games and work hands-on with youth. 3) For those interested in volunteering beyond MLK Day, there will be a domestic violence training from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. This is a prerequisite for long term volunteer positions. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Debra Morrow at (812) 337-4510 or volunteer@middlewayhouse.org. (www.middlewayhouse.org)

#### Pets Alive Doorhanger Distribution-Jan. 21

Help get the word out! Through ASPCA funding, Pets Alive Non Profit Spay/Neuter Clinic can offer reduced-cost spay/neuter surgeries for two target areas - Crestmont and Stinesville – because of their high relinquish and intake rates at the Bloomington Animal Shelter. The cost for these areas is \$5 for a cat or dog, including the rabies vaccine. Volunteers will spread the word by hanging doorhangers on 2,000 homes throughout these communities. Volunteers will meet at the clinic on Jan. 21 at 9 a.m. to receive their map and doorhangers and then disperse into the community. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Charlotte Walker at (812) 249-1349 or <a href="mailto:charlotte@petsaliveindiana.org">charlotte@petsaliveindiana.org</a>. (www.petsaliveindiana.org)

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

